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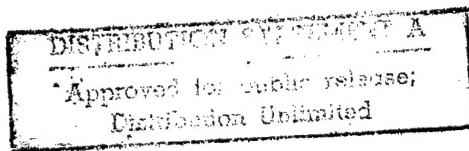
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On the basis of the resolution of the Presidium of Academy of Sciences USSR of 12 December 1958, the Forestry Institute of the Academy of Sciences has been transferred from Moskovskaya to Krasnoyarskaya Oblast. The Institute has adopted the title "Institute of Forestry and Wood," and it has been included in the system of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR.

Transferred to the Institute of Forestry and Wood of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR were the Central Kazakhstan protective forest cultivation station and the Yakutsk larch forests study station of the Institute of Forestry of the Academy of Sciences USSR. The Institute has been entrusted with the methodical guidance of the work of forestry divisions and groups which are located in the cities of Novosibirsk, Irkutsk and the Far-Eastern Affiliate of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR.

Professor A. I. Zhukov, Doctor of Agricultural Sciences, has been appointed Director of the Institute of Forestry and Wood. The main task of the Institute is the development of scientific bases for the correct organization of forest economy and the exploitation of forests, the conservation of forests from fires and pests, the complex utilization of wood, and consideration of the forest resources of Siberia and the Far East.

On 3 March 1959, the Office of the Presidium of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR heard a report from Professor A. I. Zhukov on the progress of the transfer of the Institute to Krasnoyarsk, and it has planned a number of measures in order to assist the Institute.

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On 7 January of the current year the Presidium of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR accepted a resolution to create a Commission on social sciences.

The Commission has been called upon to coordinate the scientific-research work of academic and non-academic institutions of Siberia and the Far East in the area of social sciences. The head of the Chair of Philosophy of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR, Doctor of Philosophy I. I. Matveyenkov, has been confirmed as President of the Commission. G. A. Prudenskiy, Director of the Institute of Economics and Organization of Industrial Production of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences and Associate Member of the Academy of Sciences; D. D. Lubsanov, Director of the Buryat "KNIL," Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR and Candidate of Philosophy; Tomsk State University Professor I. M. Razgon, Doctor of Historical Sciences; the writer A. L. Koptelov, B. L. Belyayev, and others joined the Commission.

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By resolution of the Presidium of the Academy of Sciences USSR of 23 January 1959, the decision of the Presidium of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR has been confirmed on the creation of a Laboratory of Microbiology of Insects within the body of the Biological Institute of Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR.

Professor V. I. Poltev, Doctor of Veterinary Sciences, will be the Head of the Laboratory. The Laboratory will undertake the development of theoretical bases of the microbiology of insects and the microbiological method of controlling harmful insects.

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In January 1959, the decision was accepted of the Presidium of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR on the organization, at the construction site of the Bratskoy Hydroelectric Station, of a base of the East-Siberian Branch of the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR, for the study of the biology, ecology, and physiology of blood-sucking insects and the further rationalization of the method of their control.

For the development of mosquito control measures, a coordinating commission was created which was joined by prominent scientists of the Siberian Section - biologists, physicists, and chemists.

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A Commission for the conservation of Nature was created at the Siberian Section of the Academy of Sciences USSR. Academician A. A. Trofimuk is the head of the Commission; the alternate is N. N. Nekrasov, Associate Member of the Academy

of Sciences. Regional commissions were created by the Committee of Conservation of Nature of the Siberian Section in the cities of Krasnoyarsk, Irkutsk, Yakutsk, Ulan-Ude, Vladivostok, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, and Petropavlovsk-at-Kamchatka. The supervision of the work of the regional commissions was bestowed on the presidents of the Presidia of the Eastern-Siberian, Yakutsk and Far-Eastern Affiliates and on the directors of the complex scientific-research Institutes of the Siberian Section.

The special attention of the Commission was focused on the investigation of problems of conservation of fauna and flora of lakes Baykal and Teletsk and the regions adjoining them.

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